

Daily Digest

Highlights

House agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 2997, Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S10171–S10255

Measures Introduced: Four bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1759–1762, S. Res. 307–308, and S. Con. Res. 46. **Page S10217**

Measures Passed:

Government Charge Card Abuse Prevention Act: Senate passed S. 942, to prevent the abuse of Government charge cards. **Pages S10243–45**

Pilot College Work Study Programs for Veterans Act: Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 1037, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a five-year pilot project to test the feasibility and advisability of expanding the scope of certain qualifying work-study activities under title 38, United States Code, and the bill was then passed, after striking all after the enacting clause and inserting in lieu thereof, the text of S. 728, to amend title 38, United States Code, to enhance veterans' insurance benefits, Senate companion measure, after agreeing to the following amendment proposed thereto: **Pages S10245–54**

Bennet (for Akaka) Amendment No. 2654, to improve the bill. **Page S10251**

National Runaway Prevention Month: Senate agreed to S. Res. 308, recognizing and supporting the goals and ideals of National Runaway Prevention Month. **Pages S10254–55**

Measures Considered:

Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act—Agreement: Senate resumed consideration of H.R. 2847, making appropriations for the Departments of Commerce and Justice, and Science, and Related Agencies for the fiscal

year ending September 30, 2010, taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto:

Pages S10181–S10212

Withdrawn:

McCain Amendment No. 2629, to prohibit the use of funds appropriated under this Act for the purpose of preventing individuals, wholesalers, or pharmacists from importing certain prescription drugs. **Pages S10182–88, S10192**

Rejected:

Vitter Amendment No. 2630, to prohibit funds from being used in contravention of section 642(a) of the Illegal Immigration Reform and Immigrant Responsibility Act of 1996. (By 61 yeas to 38 nays (Vote No. 316), Senate tabled the amendment.) **Pages S10207–08, S10209–10**

Pending:

Vitter/Bennett Amendment No. 2644, to provide that none of the funds made available in this Act may be used for collection of census data that does not include a question regarding status of United States citizenship. **Pages S10192–95**

Johanns Amendment No. 2393, prohibiting the use of funds to fund the Association of Community Organizations for Reform Now (ACORN). **Page S10207**

Bunning Amendment No. 2653, to require that all legislative matters be available and fully scored by CBO 72 hours before consideration by any subcommittee or committee of the Senate or on the floor of the Senate. **Pages S10208–09**

Levin/Coburn Amendment No. 2627, to ensure adequate resources for resolving thousands of offshore tax cases involving hidden accounts at offshore financial institutions. **Page S10210**

Durbin Modified Amendment No. 2647, to require the Comptroller General to review and audit Federal funds received by ACORN. **Pages S10210–12**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at approximately 10:30 a.m., on Thursday, October 8, 2009.

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Nomination Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nomination:

Paul Joseph Fishman, of New Jersey, to be United States Attorney for the District of New Jersey for the term of four years.

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Nomination Received: Senate received the following nomination:

Patrick Gallagher, of Maryland, to be Director of the National Institute of Standards and Technology.

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Text of H.R. 3326 as previously passed: Pages S10228–43

Record Votes: One record vote was taken today. (Total—316) Page S10210

Adjournment: Senate convened at 9:30 a.m. and adjourned at 7:02 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, October 8, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S10255.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

SECURITIZATION OF ASSETS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment concluded a hearing to examine securitization of assets, focusing on problems and solutions, after receiving testimony from Patricia A. McCoy, University of Connecticut School of Law Insurance Law Center, Hartford; George P. Miller, American Securitization Forum, Andrew Davidson, Andrew Davidson and Co, and J. Christopher Hoeffel, Commercial Mortgage Securities Association, all of New

York, New York; and William W. Irving, Fidelity Investments, Smithfield, Rhode Island.

SATELLITE HOME VIEWER EXTENSION AND REAUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2004

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Communications and Technology concluded a hearing to examine reauthorization of the Satellite Home Viewer Extension and Reauthorization Act of 2004, after receiving testimony from Robert Gabrielli, DIRECTV, Inc., El Segundo, California; Stanton Dodge, DISH Network L.L.C., Englewood, Colorado; Paul A. Karpowicz, Meredith Broadcasting Group, Rocky Hill, Connecticut; and Lonna Thompson, Association of Public Television Stations, Arlington, Virginia.

CIVILIAN NUCLEAR COOPERATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South and Central Asian Affairs concluded a hearing to examine the proposed agreement between the United States and the United Arab Emirates on civilian nuclear cooperation, after receiving testimony from Vann Van Diepen, Acting Assistant Secretary for International Security and Nonproliferation, and Janet Sanderson, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Near Eastern Affairs, both of the Department of State; and Harold McFarlane, Deputy Associate Laboratory Director for Nuclear Science and Technology, Idaho National Laboratory, Department of Energy, on behalf of the International Nuclear Energy Academy.

AL-QAEDA AND AFGHANISTAN

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine Al-Qaeda, focusing on Afghanistan, after receiving testimony from Peter Bergen, New American Foundation, Marc Sageman, Foreign Policy Research Institute, and Bob Grenier, all of Washington, D.C.

2010 CENSUS

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security concluded a hearing to examine the 2010 census, focusing on a status update of key decennial operations, the delivery of key IT systems, preliminary findings on the results of address canvassing and the lessons learned from that operation that can be applied to subsequent field operations, and the Bureau's progress in improving its cost estimation abilities, after receiving testimony from Robert M. Groves, Director, United States Census Bureau, and Todd J. Zinser, Inspector General, both of the Department of Commerce; and

Robert Goldenkoff, Director, Strategic Issues, Government Accountability Office.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of M. Patricia Smith, of New York, to be Solicitor, Joseph A. Main, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Mine Safety and Health, and William E. Spriggs, of Virginia, to be Assistant Secretary for Policy, all of the Department of Labor, and Regina M. Benjamin, of Alabama, to be Surgeon General of the Public Health Service, Department of Health and Human Services.

WORKPLACE FAIRNESS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine workplace fairness, after receiving testimony from Michael Foreman, Pennsylvania State University Dickinson School of Law Civil Rights Appellate Clinic, University Park; Michael

W. Fox, Ogletree, Deakins, Nash, Smoak, and Stewart, P.C., Austin, Texas; Mark A. de Bernardo, Jackson Lewis, LLP, Washington D.C., on behalf of the Council for Employment Law Equity; Jamie Leigh Jones, Spring, Texas; and Jack Gross, Des Moines, Iowa.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Barbara Milano Keenan, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fourth Circuit, who was introduced by Senators Webb and Warner, Laurie O. Robinson, of the District of Columbia, to be an Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, who was introduced by Senator Specter, and Ketanji Brown Jackson, of Maryland, to be a Member of the United States Sentencing Commission, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 22 public bills, H.R. 3736–3757; and 9 resolutions, H. Res. 804–807, 809–813, were introduced.

Pages H11110–11

Additional Cosponsors:

Pages H11111–12

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Conference report on H.R. 2647, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2010 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, to provide special pays and allowances to certain members of the Armed Forces, and to expand concurrent receipt of military retirement and VA disability benefits to disabled military retirees (H. Rept. 111–288) and

H. Res. 808, providing for consideration of the conference report to accompany the bill (H.R. 2647) to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2010 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, to provide special pays and allowances to certain members of the Armed Forces, and to expand concurrent receipt of

military retirement and VA disability benefits to disabled military retirees (H. Rept. 111–289).

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Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the Guest Chaplain, Rev. Dr. Vaughn Baker, Christ United Methodist Church, Fort Worth, Texas. **Page H10523**

Recess: The House recessed at 11:52 a.m. and reconvened at 12:16 p.m. **Page H10539**

Privileged Resolution—Intent to Offer: Representative Carter announced his intent to offer a privileged resolution. **Pages H10540–42**

Privileged Resolution: Representative Carter rose to a question of the privileges of the House and offered H. Res. 805, raising a question of the privileges of the House. Subsequently, Representative Crowley moved to refer the resolution to the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct and the motion was agreed to by a recorded vote of 246 ayes to 153 noes with 19 voting “present”, Roll No. 759, after agreeing to order the previous question by a recorded vote of 243 ayes to 156 noes with 19 voting “present”, Roll No. 758. **Pages H10542–44**

Suspensions—Proceedings Resumed: The House agreed to suspend the rules and agree to the following measures which were debated on Tuesday, October 6th:

Recognizing the Dyke Marsh Wildlife Preserve as a unique and precious ecosystem: H. Res. 701, to recognize the Dyke Marsh Wildlife Preserve as a unique and precious ecosystem, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 325 yeas to 93 nays, Roll No. 760 and

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Honoring the people of Shanksville, Pennsylvania, and the Flight 93 Ambassadors for their efforts in creating the Flight 93 temporary memorial: H. Res. 795, to honor the people of Shanksville, Pennsylvania, and the Flight 93 Ambassadors for their efforts in creating the Flight 93 temporary memorial and to encourage the completion of the National Park Service Flight 93 National Memorial by the 10th anniversary of September 11, 2001, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 426 yeas with none voting “nay”, Roll No. 763.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Authorizing major medical facility leases for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2010: S. 1717, to authorize major medical facility leases for the Department of Veterans Affairs for fiscal year 2010;

Pages H10559–61

Rex E. Lee Post Office Building Designation Act: H.R. 3547, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 936 South 250 East in Provo, Utah, as the “Rex E. Lee Post Office Building”;

Pages H10561–62

Clyde Hichborn Post Office Designation Act: H.R. 2174, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 18 Main Street in Howland, Maine, as the “Clyde Hichborn Post Office”;

Pages H10562–63

Kingman and Heritage Islands Act of 2009: H.R. 2092, amended, to amend the National Children’s Island Act of 1995 to expand allowable uses for Kingman and Heritage Islands by the District of Columbia; and

Pages H10563–65

Providing for the concurrence by the House in the Senate amendment to H.R. 1035, with an amendment: H. Res. 806, to provide for the concurrence by the House in the Senate amendment to H.R. 1035, with an amendment, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-a-and-nay vote of 358 yeas to 66 nays, Roll No. 762.

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Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Proclaiming Casimir Pulaski to be an honorary citizen of the United States posthumously: H.J.

Res. 26, to proclaim Casimir Pulaski to be an honorary citizen of the United States posthumously;

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Service Members Home Ownership Tax Act of 2009: H.R. 3590, to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to modify the first-time homebuyers credit in the case of members of the Armed Forces and certain other Federal employees; and

Pages H10550–54

Providing for the concurrence by the House in the Senate amendment to H.R. 1016, with amendment: H. Res. 804, to provide for the concurrence by the House in the Senate amendment to H.R. 1016, with amendment.

Pages H10554–59

Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010—Conference Report: The House agreed to the conference report to accompany H.R. 2997, making appropriations for Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies programs for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 263 yeas to 162 nays, Roll No. 761.

Pages H10528–40, H11061–77

H. Res. 799, the rule providing for consideration of the conference report, was agreed to by a recorded vote of 241 yeas to 178 nays, Roll No. 757, after agreeing to order the previous question by a ye-a-and-nay vote of 237 yeas to 180 nays, Roll No. 756.

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Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 807, electing a minority member to a standing committee: Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Representative Cao.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H10539.

Senate Referrals: S. Con. Res. 45 was referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

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Quorum Calls—Votes: Five ye-a-and-nay votes and three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H10539, H10540, H10543–44, H10544, H10545, H11076–77, H11077 and H11078. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 10:38 p.m.

Committee Meetings

FARM BILL CONSERVATION TITLE IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Energy and Research held a hearing to

review implementation of the conservation title of the 2008 Farm Bill. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: Dave White, Chief, Natural Resources Conservation Service; and Jonathan Coppess, Administrator, Farm Service Agency.

U.S. GREEN TECHNOLOGY TRADE

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Commerce, Trade and Consumer Protection held a hearing entitled “Growing U.S. Trade in Green Technology.” Testimony was heard from Mary Saunders, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Manufacturing Services, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

BREAST CANCER MEASURES

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing on the following bills: H.R. 1740, Breast Cancer Education and Awareness Requires Learning Young Act of 2009; H.R. 1691, Breast Cancer Patient Protection Act of 2009; H.R. 2279, Eliminating Disparities in Breast Cancer Treatment Act of 2009; H.R. 995, Mammogram and MRI Availability Act of 2009; and H.R. 2042, Better Screening Test for Women Act. Testimony was heard from Representatives DeLauro, Nadler and Wasserman Schultz; Stephen Taplin, M.D., Chief, Applied Cancer Screening Research Branch, Division of Cancer Control and Population Science, National Cancer Institute, NIH, Department of Health and Human Services; and public witnesses.

OVER-THE-COUNTER DERIVATIVE MARKET REFORM

Committee on Financial Services: Held a hearing entitled “Reform of the Over-the-Counter Derivative Market: Limiting Risk and Ensuring Fairness.” Testimony was heard from Gary Gensler, Chairman, CFTC; Henry Hu, Director, Division of Risk, Strategy, and Financial Innovation, SEC; and public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on the Judiciary: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 1478, Carmelo Rodriguez Military Medical Accountability Act of 2009; and H.R. 1110, PHONE Act of 2009.

The Committee began consideration of H.R. 42, Commission on Wartime Relocation and Internment of Latin Americans of Japanese Descent Act 2009.

NATIVE AMERICAN GRAVES PROTECTION

Committee on Natural Resources: Held an oversight hearing entitled “Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA).” Testimony was heard from Dan Wenk, Deputy Director, National

Park Service, Department of the Interior; and public witnesses.

MEDICAID PEDIATRIC DENTAL REFORM DEAMONTE DRIVER DEATH

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Domestic Policy held a hearing entitled “Medicaid’s Efforts to Reform Since the Preventable Death of Deamonte Driver: A Progress Report.” Testimony was heard from Cindy Mann, Director, Center for Medicaid and State Operations, State of Maryland; Katherine Iritani, Assistant Director, Health Issues, GAO; Mary G. McIntyre, M.D., Medical Director, Office of Clinical Standards and Quality, Medicaid Agency, State of Alabama; and public witnesses.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2010—CONFERENCE REPORT

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a non-record vote, a rule providing for consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 2647, the “National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010.” The rule waives all points of order against the conference report and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read. Finally, the rule provides that the previous question shall be considered as ordered without intervening motion except one hour of debate and one motion to recommit, if applicable. Testimony was heard from Chairman Skelton and Representative McKeon.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Science and Technology: Ordered reported, as amended, the following bills: H.R. 3650, Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Research and Control Amendments Act of 2009; H.R. 3585, Solar Technology Roadmap Act; and H.R. 3598, Energy and Water Research Integration Act.

FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYER’S TAX CREDIT

Committee on Small Business: Held a hearing entitled “The State of the Nation’s Housing Sector: An Examination of the First Time Buyer’s Credit and Future Policies to Sustain a Recovery.” Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

QUALIFICATIONS—CREDENTIALING OF MARINERS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation held a hearing on Qualifications and

Credentialing of Mariners: A Continuing Examination. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security: RADM Kevin Cook, Director, Prevention Policy; and CAPT David C. Stalfort, Commanding Officer, National Maritime Center.

DISTRESSED COMMUNITIES TAX INCENTIVES

Committee on Ways and Means: Subcommittee on Select Revenue Measures held a hearing on tax incentives for distressed communities. Testimony was heard from Nelson Bregon, General Deputy Assistant Secretary, Community Planning and Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development; and public witnesses.

BRIEFING—PERU UPDATE

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations met in executive session to receive a briefing on Peru Update. The Subcommittee was briefed by departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

HOMELAND SECURITY APPROPRIATIONS

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 2892, making appropriations for the Department of Homeland Security for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2009

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the future of the mortgage market and the housing enterprises, 9:30 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider any pending nominations; to be immediately followed by a hearing to examine the nominations of Marcia K. McNutt, of California, to be Director of the United States Geological Survey, Department of the Interior, and Arun Majumdar, of California, to be Director of the Advanced Research Projects Agency-Energy, Department of Energy, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests, to hold hearings to examine S. 522, to resolve the claims of the Bering Straits Native Corporation and the State of Alaska to land adjacent to Salmon Lake in the State of Alaska and to provide for the conveyance to the Bering Straits Native Corporation of certain other public land in partial satisfaction of the land entitlement of the Corporation under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, S. 865

and H.R. 1442, bills to provide for the sale of the Federal Government's reversionary interest in approximately 60 acres of land in Salt Lake City, Utah, originally conveyed to the Mount Olivet Cemetery Association under the Act of January 23, 1909, S. 881, to provide for the settlement of certain claims under the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, S. 940, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to the Nevada System of Higher Education certain Federal land located in Clark and Nye counties, Nevada, S. 1272, to provide for the designation of the Devil's Staircase Wilderness Area in the State of Oregon, to designate segments of Wasson and Franklin Creeks in the State of Oregon as wild or recreation rivers, and S. 1689, to designate certain land as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System and the National Landscape Conservation System in the State of New Mexico, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of William E. Kennard, of the District of Columbia, to be Representative to the European Union, with the rank and status of Ambassador, Cynthia Stroum, of Washington, to be Ambassador to Luxembourg, John F. Tefft, of Virginia, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador to Ukraine, and Michael C. Polt, of Tennessee, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Minister-Counselor, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Estonia, all of the Department of State, and James Legarde Hudson, of the District of Columbia, to be United States Director of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on the Judiciary: business meeting to consider S. 448 and H.R. 985, bills to maintain the free flow of information to the public by providing conditions for the federally compelled disclosure of information by certain persons connected with the news media, S. 1692, to extend the sunset of certain provisions of the USA PATRIOT Act and the authority to issue national security letters, S. 369, to prohibit brand name drug companies from compensating generic drug companies to delay the entry of a generic drug into the market, S. 379, to provide fair compensation to artists for use of their sound recordings, and the nominations of Jacqueline H. Nguyen and Dolly M. Gee, both to be a United States District Judge for the Central District of California, and Edward Milton Chen and Richard Seeborg, both to be a United States District Judge for the Northern District of California, and Brendan V. Johnson, to be United States Attorney for the District of South Dakota, Karen Louise Loeffler, to be United States Attorney for the District of Alaska, and Steven Gerard O'Donnell, to be United States Marshal for the District of Rhode Island, all of the Department of Justice, 10 a.m., SD-226.

Subcommittee on Immigration, Refugees and Border Security, to hold hearings to examine comprehensive immigration reform, focusing on faith-based perspectives, 3 p.m., SD-226.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the Department of Defense and Veterans' Affairs response to certain military exposures, 9:30 a.m., SD-562.

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold closed hearings to consider certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., S-407, Capitol.

House

Committee on Armed Services, Defense Acquisition Reform Panel, hearing on the Department of Defense's Rapid Acquisition Process: Is It a Model for Improving Acquisition? 8 a.m., 2261 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Labor, Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities, hearing to Examining Innovative Practices to Improve Child Nutrition, 10 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Energy and Commerce, Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, and the Internet, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 1147, Local Community Radio Act of 2009; H.R. 1084, Commercial Advertisement Loudness Mitigation Act; H.R. 1258, Truth in Caller ID Act of 2009; and H.R. 3633, To allow the funding for the interoperable emergency communications grant program established under the Digital Television Transition and Public Safety Act of 2005 to remain available until expended through fiscal year 2012, and for other purposes, 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2382, Credit Card Interchange Fees Act of 2009; and H.R. 3639, Expedited CARD Reform for Consumers Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Housing and Community Opportunity, hearing entitled "The Future of the Federal Housing Administration's Capital Reserves: Assumptions, Predictions and Implications for Homebuyers," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Constitution, Civil Rights and Civil Liberties, hearing on Civil Rights Under Fire: Recent Supreme Court Decisions, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Courts and Competition Policy, hearing on H.R. 3596, Health Insurance Industry Antitrust Enforcement Act of 2009, 11:30 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Science and Technology, Subcommittee on Research and Science Education, hearing on Investing in High-Risk, High-Reward Research, 1 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, Subcommittee on Finance and Tax, to mark up the following measures: the Small Business Credit Expansion and Loan Markets Stabilization Act; the Job Creation and Economic Development Through CDC Modernization Act of 2009; Small Business Microlending Expansion Act of 2009; the Small Business Investment Company Modernization and Improvement Act of 2009; the Enhanced New Markets and Expanded Investment in Renewable Energy for Small Manufacturers Act of 2009; H.R. 3014, Small Business Health Information Technology Financing Act; the Small Business Early Stage Investment Act of 2009; and the Small Business Disaster Readiness and Reform Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, Subcommittee on Disability Assistance and Memorial Affairs, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 761, to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for the eligibility of parents of certain deceased veterans for interment in national cemeteries; H.R. 3485, Veterans Pensions Protection Act; H.R. 2243, Surviving Spouses' Benefit Improvement Act of 2009; H.R. 3544, National Cemeteries Expansion Act of 2009; and draft legislation, 10 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Subcommittee on Economic Opportunity, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 2696, Servicemembers' Rights Protection Act; H.R. 1182, Military Spouses Residence Relief Act; H.R. 2416, To require the Department of Veterans Affairs to use purchases of goods or services through the Federal supply schedules for the purpose of meeting certain contracting goals for participation by small business concerns owned and controlled by veterans, including veterans with service-connected disabilities; H.R. 2461, Veterans Small Business Verification Act; H.R. 2614, Veterans' Advisory Committee on Education Reauthorization Act of 2009; and H.R. 2874, Helping Active Duty Deployed Act of 2009, 1 p.m., 334 Cannon.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support, hearing to evaluate the response of "safety net" programs during the recession, 10 a.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on Afghanistan Center of Excellence, 1 p.m., 304 HVC.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Thursday, October 8

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Thursday, October 8

Senate Chamber

Program for Thursday: After the transaction of any morning business (not to extend beyond one hour), Senate will continue consideration of H.R. 2847, Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act.

House Chamber

Program for Thursday: Consideration of the conference report to accompany H.R. 2647—National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010 (Subject to a Rule).



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